



Imogene Brown

September 20, 1928 - May 8, 2021

Fayetteville – Florence Imogene Brown, 92, went to her heavenly home on May 8, 2021, following months of declining health due to dementia. She was a resident of the Arkansas Veterans Home in Fayetteville. Imogene was born September 20, 1928 in Colt, Arkansas, the daughter of Crad and Mary Elizabeth “Lizzie” (Little) Smith. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church of Wynne.

Imogene graduated from Wynne High School, Class of 1948. In 1979, after working side by side with her husband on the family farm for most of their married life, she graduated from Memphis State University with a degree in Family & Consumer Science. With this degree, she taught for several years at Wynne Junior High and worked with the Extension Service in Phillips County. She was no stranger to hard work, having grown up chopping and picking cotton with her siblings. After her marriage to Richard in 1948, she learned to survey for rice levees, as well as driving tractors and grain trucks to help the family farm become a success. While doing this, she also managed to perfect her skills at home with fine needlework making numerous smocked outfits and French hand sewn garments for her grandchildren. With an interest in music, she began lessons for piano and organ from Miss Louise Coffin, eventually becoming the organist at Ellis Chapel Methodist Church for many years. She and Richard served as leaders for the community 4-H Club for together, keeping their own children involved in community activities. She had a green thumb that could keep any plant thriving indoors and out while also creating

artwork that her family will cherish. Her chocolate pie is known among longtime family and friends as she always found time to bake and have a pot of coffee ready.

Imogene was preceded in death last year by her husband, Richard Brown of Wynne, her husband of 72 years. Her parents and all seven of her siblings also preceded her in death. Survivors are her son, Dr. Richard Brown and his wife Gloria, of Fayetteville, son Dwight Brown and his wife Beth, of Wynne, and daughter Dr. Dianne Baer and her husband Steve of Fayetteville. Saying a loving goodbye will also be her nine grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, and one great great grandchild.

A celebration of her life will be held Thursday, May 13th at 11:00am, with visitation with the family preceding the service at 10:00am. Her service will be held at Kernodle Funeral Home in Wynne, with internment at Ellis Chapel Cemetery. Those wishing to remember Imogene in a special way may make gifts in her memory to the Music Department of First United Methodist Church, P.O. Box 1007, Wynne, AR 72396 or to the charity of your choice.

You may view the funeral services on Zoom. <https://us05web.zoom.us/j/6580483432?pwd=a29kK3BENEZMTUVwbCtFakdIMFg3Zz09>

Meeting ID 820 3712 3309

Passcode: fs95xA

Cemetery Details

Ellis Chapel Cemetery

Ar-193 & Ar-284
Wynne, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kernodle Funeral Home
315-325 E. Union Avenue
Wynne, AR 72396
(870) 238-2323
kernodlefuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.kernodlefh.com/>

Celebration of Life

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Interment

MAY 13 (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Grandmother, my dear Grandmother, it has been a very long five years since I've been able to enjoy our conversations, shared watermelons, Pepsis, or mystery programs. Oh but you were so much more than that to me Grandmother; I was truly blessed having you and Pappaw for most of my life. Thank you for all the walks, talks, handmade dolls and clothes, baths and meals, good nights rest and the most perfect hugs and heart. I miss you Mammaw, hope I make you proud! Love you both so very much!

Dixie Lyn Brown - May 12 at 08:31 PM

BJ

“ Lifting up the entire Brown family with prayers for comfort. 🙏🙏🙏

Bill and Lavena Jennings

Bill and Lavena Jennings - May 13, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Imogene Brown.



May 12, 2021 at 11:58 AM

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“ Steve Hathcock lit a candle in memory of Imogene Brown



Steve Hathcock - May 11, 2021 at 03:52 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Imogene Brown.



May 11, 2021 at 01:02 PM

MB

“ Marice Boardman sent a virtual gift in memory of Imogene Brown



Marice Boardman - May 11, 2021 at 09:52 AM